Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A portable electronic device comprising:

a processor module comprising a processor and a display;

a sliding ~~display cover~~ component moveably coupled to said processor module, wherein said sliding component is operable to change the size of a dimension of said portable electronic device by sliding relative to said processor module, and wherein said sliding component is operable to accept at least one button input from a user;

a sensing device coupled to said processor module and to said sliding ~~display cover~~ component for ~~providing geometric information indicating~~ detecting a relative position of said display with respect to an edge of said sliding component ~~display cover, wherein said geometric information is provided for a plurality of positions~~; and,

a device driver for performing an action in response to a signal, wherein said action is based on a selection of information displayed on said display, and wherein ~~is selected~~ said selection is based [[up]]on the position of said edge relative to said displayed information ~~said display~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, wherein said action is a visual configuration of data rendered on said display.

3. (Previously Presented) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, further comprising a wireless transmitter, and wherein said action is an initiation of communication with another device using said wireless transmitter.

4. (Previously Presented) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, further comprising a wireless transmitter, and wherein said action is an initiation of communication with an external device, using said wireless transmitter.

5. (Previously Presented) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, wherein said sensing device is a non-contact sensor device.

6. (Previously Presented) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, wherein said display is a touch panel display forming a part of said sensing device.

7. (Currently Amended) The portable electronic device of Claim 1, wherein said signal is initiated from said sliding ~~display cover~~ component by pressing on an input key residing on said sliding component ~~comprises an input device coupled to said processor module~~.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of selecting an option in an electronic device comprising a processor module and a sliding component ~~cover~~, said method comprising:

a) displaying information on a display screen of said processor module;

b) positioning an edge of said sliding ~~cover~~ component adjacent to a portion of said information on said display screen by sliding said sliding ~~cover~~ component relative to said display screen to identify said portion of said information for selection;

c) ~~activating a selection~~ selecting said portion of said information, ~~device of said electronic device~~ wherein said selection is made by using at least one button input residing on said sliding component; and

d) invoking an action of said electronic device related to said portion of said information.

9. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 8 further comprising generating a position signal corresponding to a position of said sliding component ~~cover~~ relative to said display screen.

10. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said action is an execution of an application program.

11. (Previously Presented) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said action is a display of related additional information to said portion of said information.

12. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said selection is via ~~device is~~ a key.

13. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said sliding cover comprises a keyboard.

14. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said sliding cover further comprises a microphone.

15. (Original) A method as described in Claim 8 wherein said sliding cover further comprises a speaker.

16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium containing executable instructions ~~which, when executed in a handheld computer comprising a display, causes~~ stored thereon for causing an electronic device to execute a method for configuring ~~the handheld computer to configure~~ a visual output of ~~the~~ a display, said method comprising ~~instructions for~~:

sensing a relative position, wherein said relative position is the position of a sliding ~~cover~~ component relative to ~~and~~ a processor module, and wherein said relative position is a partially closed position, and wherein said sliding component is operable to change the size of a dimension of said electronic device by sliding relative to said processor module;

in response to said sensing said relative position, generating said visual output on said display, wherein said visual output comprises visual objects arranged to be viewable in response to said relative position.

17. (Original) The computer readable medium of Claim 16, further comprising instructions for initiating an application by said processor module.

18. (Original) The computer readable medium of Claim 16, further comprising instructions for initiating communication with an external device.

19. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 16, further comprising instructions for altering said visual output in response to a signal.

20. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 16, wherein said instructions are for a rearrangement of a previously displayed visual object.

21-24. (Canceled)